



Docket No. NIT-278

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/873,259 Confirmation No. 5965  
Applicant : T. TANAKA et al.  
Filed : June 5, 2001  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING BROKER  
SERVICE TO AUCTIONS  
TC/AU : 3692  
Examiner : S.E. Chencinski  
Customer No. : 24956

**AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP: AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 21, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time** and the appropriate fee accompany this paper.